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Desperate Battle For Capital Of Chekiang

GUERILLA WAR BEHIND JAPANESE LINES

Wide-Spread Enemy Raids In Yunnan Province

CHUNGKING, May 25.

The Chinese forces are still holding on to Kinhwa in Central Chekiang province. Fighting is taking place three miles from the city, according to field telephone reports on Monday afternoon.

JAP DRIVE FRUSTRATED

Chinese forces defending the approaches to Kinhwa, the Capital of Chekiang province, report that more than 2,000 casualties have been inflicted on the Japanese column which was routed by Chinese forces at Kienten, twenty miles north of the city. This victory has for the time being frustrated the Japanese drive along the Fuchon River aimed at outflanking Kinhwa from the northwest.

Up to Friday evening other Chinese forces were still fighting bitterly to thwart the Japanese advance on Kinhwa, along the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway. The struggle was continuing to the south, east, northeast and east of Kinhwa.

Chinese troops behind the Japanese lines in eastern and western Chekiang have started extensive guerilla warfare, harassing enemy troops on the move and cutting their supply and communication lines.

Main Battle Begins

A Chinese "communique" on Monday evening states that the main battle of the Chekiang front is beginning now that the Chinese have slowly drawn Japanese forces inland. Meanwhile Chinese units in the Japanese rear are launching attacks along the Kiangsu and Chekiang border as well as points east of Chekiang such as Siaosian, Fenghwa, Chuki and Tungyang.

While the Chinese are resisting on the outskirts of Kinhwa, the Japanese from Pukiang have reached a point northeastward of Lanchi twelve miles westward of Kinhwa. The northern Japanese column after capturing Kienteh attempted unsuccessfully to cross the Sinan River and advance southward. More than 500 Japanese were drowned. It is estimated that 5,000 Japanese troops have been killed in the Chekiang fighting to-day.

"GIANT PINCER" ATTACKED

TOKYO, May 25.

Japanese forces early this morning launched an all-out offensive on Kinhwa, the strategic railway town and capital of Chekiang province, says a frontline despatch to the Japanese Domei Agency. Two Japanese columns are advancing on the city in a giant pincer movement from the north and south, it claims.

Japanese Object

LONDON: Japan's fears of further air raids on her islands as threatened by Brigadier-General Doolittle, leader of the spectacular attacks on Tokyo and other towns last month, are revealed in a statement made to-day by Homakazu Hori, the Japanese official spokesman.

He implied that one of the main aims of the Present Japanese air and land offensive in the east China province of Chekiang is to destroy airfields there that were within bombing range of Tokyo.

"It is quite possible that Chungking has built airfields at various points in Chekiang province for use in air attacks on Japan, but most of the enemy's airbases have been rendered useless by devastating Japanese air assaults" he said, according to Domei Agency broadcast report.

In reply to a questioner, he added that it was "quite conceivable" that American technicians had helped in the construction of these airfields.

NEHRU FOR WASHINGTON?

Roosevelt Anxious To Discuss India With Jawaharlal

(From Our Correspondent)
LONDON, May 25.

The National Broadcasting Corporation from New York has broadcast the report that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru is proceeding to Washington as President Roosevelt is anxious to discuss with him India's defences and war production.

In London itself on the Trafalgar Square last evening resolutions were passed demanding immediate opening of a second land front in Europe and the formation of a National Government in India for victory in 1942.

Pandit Nehru's portrait fluttered on a plinth in the Nelson's column side by side with those of Churchill, Roosevelt, Stalin and Chiang-Kai-Shek.

Pandit Nehru Leaves For Wardha

NEW DELHI, May 25.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru left this evening for Wardha to meet Mahatma Gandhi.—A. P.

CZECH MINISTER TO HANG

LONDON, May 25.

General Viest, Minister of State in the Czechoslovak Government in London has been sentenced in Absentia to death by the Slovak Supreme Military Court according to an official announcement issued in Bratislava, Capital of the puppet state of Slovakia.

As the highest ranked Czechoslovak General of Slovak Nationality at the time of the creation of "independent" Slovakia in 1939 General Viest at first accepted the position of Chief of the New Slovak Army but soon left his post and shortly before the war broke out escaped to France to join the Czechoslovak Army which was being formed there.—Reuter.

Widespread Jap Raids

BOMBAY: Nineteen Japanese planes, escorted by fighters coming from the direction of Burma, carried out widespread raids on several towns in the western Yunnan province on Sunday, according to a Chungking message broadcast by the Chungking radio.

A group of eight bombers escorted by six fighters attacked Paushan on Saturday morning, dropping a number of bombs on the heart of the town.

R. A. F. Attack Enemy Barges

NEW DELHI, May 25.

On May 24 the Royal Air Force, in addition to normal 'reconnaissance' over Burma, carried out a machine gun attack on enemy barges moving in pairs up the River Chindwin, says an Air Headquarters Communique.

None of our aircraft is missing from these operations.—A. P.

General Wavell, Commander-in-Chief of India, with Senior Officers during his recent tour of India's Eastern defences.

BATTLE OF ENCIRCLEMENT ON KHARKOV FRONT

Fierce Nazi Attack Repelled In Izyum

LONDON, May 25.

It is thought in London that the main struggle between Marshal Timoshenko's forces and those of General von Bock has shifted from the Kharkov area to the Izyum Front where the Germans are making their counter-offensive. The situation there is very confused.

ENCIRCLEMENT OF RED FORCES CLAIMED

A 'communique' issued from Hitler's Headquarters to-day says that operations in the area south of Kharkov have developed into a battle of encirclement.

It adds that the bulk of three Soviet armies including strong tank forces has been encircled.

Nothing is known in London which confirms these claims.

The German Communique also stated that in the central sector thirty villages were captured by the German forces.

Soviets Beat Back Nazis

MOSCOW: Monday's Midday Soviet Communique states: "In several sectors of the Kharkov direction our troops, having consolidated their positions, were engaged in offensive operations.

In the Izyum-Barvenkovo direction our troops continued stubborn fighting with enemy tanks and infantry.

In other sectors of the front nothing of importance took place."

A supplement to the Communique says: "In the Kharkov direction, enemy infantry, at the cost of heavy losses, succeeded in driving a wedge into our lines. By flanking attacks our troops repelled the enemy inflicting heavy losses. The Germans lost 750 men killed.'

A Russian Unit operating in the Izyum-Barvenkovo direction repelled a fierce attack by German infantry and tanks. The Germans suffered heavy losses. Eight tanks were put out of action.

Non-Stop Fighting

Fierce fighting from dusk till dawn and from dawn till dusk" is going on in the Izyum-Barvenkovo area, south of Kharkov, said a Russian military commentator quoted by the Moscow radio to-day. Military commanders regard the fighting as some of the most intense they have known.

The Russians have occupied several more towns and villages in this sector including an important key point. They are inflicting tremendous losses on the Germans.

"Soviet infantry supported by artillery barrages stand steady as rocks before large groups of enemy tanks", the commentator added.

Highest Tension Reached

Fighting on the Kharkov and Izyum-Barvenkovo Fronts which has been steadily growing in violence in the past few days appears to be reaching the highest tension, according to Soviet reports, writes Reuter's correspondent. Neither front is large, but the quantities of material being used up are enormous.

On the Kharkov Front despite German efforts in the last 24 hours to hold Timoshenko's forces, Russians made progress which was consolidated during the night while the attack was still maintained. The enemy is now dealing blows with massed tanks and putting in large groups of aircraft.

On land Soviet gunners are right up with the front line infantry protecting it against tank drivers and smashing German field fortifications to enable the infantry to move forward. The Soviet Command is taking no chances and is consolidating each new advance owing to the danger of German tank attacks curving in between the forward units on to the flanks of the supporting troops.

Among the several more villages taken by Soviet troops was a large village which was surrounded days ago and which the German Command vainly tried several times to relieve.

On the Izyum-Barvenkovo front the fierce character of the German attacks shows that the enemy is now putting in some of his reinforcements brought up during the week-end after the failure to secure a real break-through on this front.

Nazi Bid For Black Sea Bases

The Soviet midnight communique on Sunday says, "During May 24 on the Kharkov front our troops fought offensive engagements and advanced.

In the Izyum—Barvenkov direction our troops fought feirce defensive engagements with enemy tanks and infantry.

Heavy losses were inflicted on the German Fascist troops. On the other sectors of the front nothing of importance took place. During May 23 twenty-four German aircraft were destroyed. We lost 11."

AXIS STRATEGY

BERLIN, May 25.

Representatives of the Military Staffs of Germany, Italy and Japan have met in Rome, says the German Radio. Count Ciano presided at the meeting.—Reuter.

DACOITS RAID PATNA CITY

PATNA, May 25.

Two police constables on night patrols and three dacoits were injured in a free fight between the gang and the two constables last Saturday night. The gang about 30 strong forced its entry into the house of a rich merchant in Patna City when it was fiercely resisted by the two constables and the inmates of the house.

The dacoits withdrew not without some booty but leaving behind three of their accomplices injured. A police party arrived soon and chased the dacoits who escaped under the cover of darkness. Investigation is proceeding.—A. P.

ANOTHER RAILWAY OUTRAGE BY HURS

KARACHI, May 25.

Another outrage was committed last night by the Hurs. An inspection car of the North-Western Railway was derailed last night between Mirpur and Daharki. The driver of the car was killed and three men in the car were seriously injured while two others slightly injured.

It is learnt that the railway track at the spot had been removed by the Hurs.—A. P.

Giant Army Cargo Plane

NEW YORK, May 25.

The new giant army cargo plane now mass-produced in a Curtiss Wright plant in an inland city has been christened the "Curtiss Commando".

The plane is capable of carrying fully equipped soldiers or field artillery and reconnaissance cars at high speed to points on widely-scattered battle front.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

LABOUR MOVE FOR INDIAN SETTLEMENT

(From Our Correspondent.)
LONDON, May 25.

The Labour Party Conference opening at Westminster, this morning, will be concluding on Thursday. There will be powerful support from the floor for ending political truce.

Some among the rank and file urge the readmission of Sir Stafford Cripps to the party but the compromise attitude of the party executive and miners' federation over the coal situation hints at unfriendly attitude to Sir Stafford Cripps who is insisting nationalisation as the only solution to the fuel situation.

Mr. Shinwell will be speaking on Tuesday on planned democracy after war. The Conference is going to discuss India but as usual the executive has decided that the matter does not warrant immediate discussion. Speakers including Mr. Gordon MacDonald are expected to insist on immediate reopening of negotiations by the Viceroy.

MUSSOLINI'S DEMAND ON VICHY

ANKARA, May 25.

Mussolini is reported to have sent a Note to the Vichy Government demanding Corsica, Nice and Tunis for Italy, according to Ankara Radio to-night.—Reuter.

U. S. NAVY

WASHINGTON, May 25.

President Roosevelt has asked Congress for an additional 614,425 thousand dollars for the Navy.—Reuter.

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Br. Labour Assails Party Leadership

X-RAY OF WAR POLICY AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

But Attlee Clears First Hurdle: National Coal Control Plan

LONDON, May 25.

Eight hundred delegates attended at the Central Hall in Westminster to-day (Monday) what promised to be the most important annual conference of the Labour Party since the war.

Vital issues were on the agenda, including Labour's plan for national control of coal industry and future action in regard to political truce for by-elections.

Labour members of Government were on the platform and Dr. H. V. Evatt, Australia's special representative in Britain, spoke during the opening session.

NO REVERSAL OF POLICY

Mr. W. H. Green, Member of Parliament, in his presidential address declared that any reversal of the Labour Party's decision in 1940 to join Government was unthinkable. "The test by which history will judge our decision will not be whether we as a Party have gained, but rather has country's war effort been made more effective. To this there can only be one answer", he declared. Mr. Green added:

"The country demands a more intensive war effort. It calls for more punching and less preaching, more tanks and less talk, more Spitfires and less sermons. It will stand without complaining greater sacrifices providing it is convinced that all share and none escape."

ANGLO-SOVIET COLLABORATION

Regarding India, Mr. Green said that a great opportunity had been lost. India's leaders had sacrificed the substance for the shadow, but the common danger must impel both countries to further efforts to reach an agreement.

Calling for close contact with the Red Army Chiefs, Mr. Green said: "Russia's danger is our danger and Russia's cause is the cause of all free men and free people everywhere. To this end closest collaboration and co-operation in the determining of strategy is vital and imperative.

The evidence that is available hardly reassures us that this is being achieved."

'ANZAC' SOLIDARITY.

Dr. H. V. Evatt, the Australian Minister for External Affairs, told the conference that Australia and New Zealand stood hundred per cent with the mother country. 'We know that if our enemies prevailed or could even secure a stalemate, all would be lost", he said. Dr. Evatt said adequate aid for Australia and New Zealand would not prejudicially affect plans for an offensive action against the enemy in Europe.

"It is quite incorrect to suppose that the United States is exclusively responsible for the defence of Australia and New Zealand, Britain has also recognised its share of responsibility for the defence of these essential places."

Broadly speaking Australia's position was now accepted in Britain and he asked that it should be supported until the United Nations could throw back and destroy the Japanese who had already wrought such terrible havoc in the Pacific.

LABOUR PARTY'S ROLE

The Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. C. R. Attlee, moved the Executive resolution reaffirming belief in the necessity for achieving total victory over the enemies of the United Nations. The motion warmly approved the part played by the Labour Party in the present Government and in organising the resources of the people "for this supreme effort."

COMRADES-IN-ARMS

Mr. Attlee said all Governments engaged in this struggle regarding each other as comrades. The machinery of joint planning and joint strategic direction was far more complete than many people imagined. The British Government was as well aware of the need for meeting the claims of the Allies as the Allies were conscious of the need to meet British desires.

"We should never make headway if every individual nation thought only of what is happening on its own immediate front. There is very wide grasp of this principle among all people who are fighting by our side." Mr. Attlee declared it would be a "great mistake" to think that Britain could return to party differences and party strife and that British people could afford to divert their minds from the objective of winning war.

An amendment to delete from Mr. Attlee's resolution the reference to the approval of Labour's part in the Government was defeated on card vote by 2,319,000 against 164,000 and Mr. Attlee's resolution was automatically adopted.

The conference then unanimously adopted a plan drawn up by the National Council of Labour for national control of the mining industry by the institution of a National Coal Board with regional boards and pit committees. The conference adjourned until tomorrow.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, said the country must be determined not only to win the war, but to win the peace on a basis of co-operation among all nations and justice for all the peoples of the world. "We must not only promote world justice, peace and co-operation, but we must be ready in the years after the war to carry the discipline, organisation and sacrifices of the war into peace and be ready in co-operation with other nations to maintain such armed forces and such military power as will prevent Germany or any other nation starting up this business again."

Momentous Conference

Reuter's correspondent writes:—

The Labour press has described this conference as "the most vital in the history of British Labour" and other newspapers predict that it is likely to be most controversial. If there is any doubt on the last point, this morning's session removed it as the official views of the Executives were countered by the opposite views of the rank and file.

One speaker went so far as to say:

"Our party is crawling to the Right while the working classes are marching to the Left."

FIRST HURDLE CLEARED

Throughout the four days of the conference with an agenda closely packed with an incredible diversity of subjects for discussion this tendency of leadership to defend its position and of the rank and file to attack it is inevitable.

This morning, however, the Executive cleared its first hurdle when by a staggering majority a resolution was passed "warmly approving the part played by the Labour Party in the present British Government."

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Such representations must however be submitted so as to reach the Undersigned not later than the 3rd June 1942. Separate representations for each application will only be considered.

A. H. KHAN,
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Province of Bombay, Poona.
Poona, 19th May, 1942. (8522)

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IT IS GIVEN for the information of all concerned that SETH SHIVA CHARAN DAS GARGA of Hapur, died leaving self-acquired movable and immovable property. By a Will, dated 22-8-41 the deceased bequeathed his 1/3 of property to his minor son Surajmal under my guardianship, 1/3 to myself as his brother and 1/3 to Mst. Basanti Bai his widow under certain conditions of the Will. Mst. Basanti Bai, having violated those conditions, does not inherit any property but gets only maintenance for life.

I am the guardian of the minor Surajmal under the said Will as well as by order of the Civil Judge, Meerut, dated 15-1-42. I have been managing the property of the deceased since his death and the minor son and daughter of the deceased are living with me.

Mst. Basanti Bai is fraudulently proclaiming herself as the heir of Seth Shiva Charan Das Garga and as the guardian of the minor Surajmal. Let no body be deceived by it.

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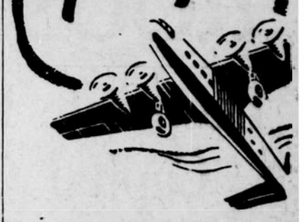

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TO-DAY'S MATCH

5-30 p.m. Lusitanians v. 'Times of India' (Hardlines Cup replay.).

W. I. Championship

HOLDERS BEATEN IN THRILLING BATTLE

W.I.A.A. Staff In Final Again

The second semi-final of the Western India Football Championship Tournament turned out to be a thrilling affair on Monday. The holders, Bombay City Police, were engaged by the W.I.A.A. staff, the recent winners of the Nadkarni Cup, in a terrific battle, which resulted in the Automobilemen winning by the odd goal in five. They will now meet their old rivals, the B.E.S.T. again, in the final on Wednesday.

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KRISHNA—"Saugand" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"The Guest" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
METRO—"The Man who came to Dinner" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
REGAL—"Helizapoppin" 4, 6-30 and 9-30
CAPITOL—"Aloma of the South Seas" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MINERVA—"Station Master" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Avaz" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bharat Milap" 2-45, 6 and 9 p.m.
NEW WEST-END—"Khan-Daan" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Society" 3-30, 6-30 and 9 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Louisiana Purchase" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Pahila Paina" 3-30, 6-15 and 9 p.m.
PLAZA—"Apna Ghar" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Rai Saheb" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
PALACE—"The Sea Wolf" 4, 6-30 and 10
HINDMATA—"Jungle Princess" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Rangila Javan" 4, 6-30 and 10
AURORA—"Blood and Sand" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Doctor" 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
ROXY—"Jhoola" 2-15, 5-45 and 9 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Amrit" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Garib" 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Pyas" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: Private telegrams for Iceland should bear full name of addressee and be signed by full name of sender.

EX-R.E. OFFICERS' "DEMOLITION" COURSE: Final meeting on Wednesday, May 27, 6 p.m. at Cotton Green, Sewree.

INDIAN ROADS & TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, LD: A general meeting of the Bombay Branch of the Indian Roads and Transport Development Association Ltd. will be held at the offices of the Association, Contractor Building, 41, Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, today (Tuesday), at 6 p.m.

GATHA SOCIETY: A public meeting of the Gatha Society will be held to-day (Tuesday), at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136, Apollo Street, Fort, when Mr. Sorabji Kanga, will further give in Gujarati a discourse on "Farchars bring assistance to men and Kings only when 'they are not offended, and are without pain'".

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NATION'S LEAGUE OF PEN-FRIENDS: "An educational excursion to Mandapeshwar Caves and Exsar Memorial Stones at Borivli is arranged under the auspices of The Nations' League of Penfriends on Sunday 31st May. All members are cordially invited with their guests. The party will leave by the train leaving Churchgate station at 1 p.m. Further particulars can be had from the Office or N. S. Kaman, Patel Mansion, King's Circle, Matunga."

A. R. P. And P. V. B.

Mr. Asoka Mehta writes:

In your report of the public meeting at Chotta Kabarastan organised by the Muslim (area) Civic Defence Committee, there are one or two misstatements which I think it is necessary to correct.

I attended the meeting and spoke there in response to an invitation from the organisers.

In the course of my speech I did not say that the A. R. P. has failed nor did I say about the P. V. B. what I am reported to have said.

I gave a brief review of the activities of the P. V. B. as they have developed in the last three months that the P.V.B. has been in existence. I then referred to Mr. Symington's speech earlier that evening wherein he had deplored the lack of public response to the instructions issued from time to time from the A.R.P. authorities. I pointed out that the root cause of general apathy was the failure of the Government to respond to the persistent demand of the public to transfer Civil Defence into the hands of a popular non-official committee. This demand is exercising the public mind for over three months now and it is over two months that the Municipal Corporation raised its powerful voice in its support. I ended with the hope that in the interest of effective and enthusiastic A.R.P. arrangements in the city, the activities will be put under popular control without further delay.

Arya Kreeda Mandal

Seth Jayantilal Tribhuwandas performed the opening ceremony of "The Tribhuwandas Bhanji Swimming Pool and Park". The site was donated by Mr. Damodardas Kapadia and those present at the function included the Donor Trustee, Bhau Seth Lombar, Messrs. Hegde, Rege, Nadkarni and others.

On exhorting the audience to help the cause of the Mandal, a modest sum of Rs. 401 was promised immediately by some prominent citizens of Thana.

P.V.B. PROPAGANDA MEETINGS IN 'G' WARD: Under the auspices of the P. V. B. of 'G' Ward, the following three propaganda meetings will be held on Tuesday, the 26th instant:

1. Worli Koliwada Centre at 6 p.m.
2. Worli Koliwada East at 7-30 p.m.
3. Worli Koliwada West at 8-30 p.m.

RESCUE TRAINING CLASS: A Class of P.V.B. volunteers from 'D' Ward, 'E' (North) and 'E' (South) Wards, shall be started from to-day (Tuesday), at Robert-Money High School, Proctor Road, behind Congress House, for a period of 10 days, from 7-30 to 8-30 p.m. every day. Mr. M. N. Akerkar will conduct the class. All P. V. B. volunteers who have given their names to join this class are requested to be present at the above place from 26th instant at 7-30 p.m. sharp without fail.

RADICAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY: N. D. U. under the presidentship of Mr. V. B. Karnik passed two resolutions; the first disapproving the attitude of non-cooperation and urging the Government to act according to the proposals of Cripps.

The second welcomes formation of the National War Front and expresses its sincere hope that it will soon be transformed into a real People's Front.

BOMBAY KERALEEYA SAMAJ. The Special General meeting of the Bombay Keraleeya Samaj will be held at 9 a.m. on Sunday, 31st inst., and not last Sunday as was wrongly announced at the King George English School, Hindu Colony, Dadar (G. I. P.).

PROTECT INTERESTS OF TILLER OF SOIL

Bombay Co-operative Banks' Conference's Demand

Under the auspices of the Bombay Co-operative Banks' Association a conference of urban and central co-operative banks in this province was held in the hall of the Poona Central Co-operative Bank, on Saturday and Sunday last. The conference was presided over by Mr. R. G. Saraiya, Chairman of the Association and was attended, among others, by Mr. S. M. Ikram, Registrar of Co-operative Societies Prof. V. G. Kale, Mr. Fazul Ibrahim Rahimtooia, Mr. B. V. Jadhav, Dewan Bahadur C. M. Gandhi, and Mr. Sher Jung Khan of the Reserve Bank of India. There were present over a hundred representatives of banks from various parts of the Province.

After the welcome speech of Mr. D. V. Vidwans of the Poona Central Co-operative Bank and the presidential address of Mr. Saraiya the conference adopted a number of resolutions covering various aspects of the working of co-operative banks in the province and on important questions relating to the effects of the war on Agricultural Economy. The first of these resolutions related to a topic dealt with in the presidential address, namely, the need for moulding war time economic measures in such a manner as would not adversely affect agricultural interests and safeguard the agriculturists' standard of living.

"In view of prevailing war conditions and the intensifications of war-time measures of price control, restrictions on trade and transport etc., this conference recommends co-operative institutions, particularly those interested in the financing and improvement of agriculture to bring to the notice of Provincial and Central Governments through the Banks' Association the the prejudicial effects, wherever observed, of these measures on the economic life of the agriculturists and to suggest practical steps so as to ensure that in enforcing such measures the interests of farmers, farm labourers and village artisans are not adversely affected. The conference trusts that Provincial and Central Governments realize the necessity of so shaping their war-time economic policy as to ensure that a reasonable standard of living is assured to the farmers, farm labourers and village artisans and urges that, as in other countries suitable financial assistance, in various forms, be given to the agriculturists and village artisans wherever necessary."

Another resolution dealt with a question which is at present engaging the earnest attention of Government and the public. This resolution stated: "The conference wishes to associate itself with the propaganda carried on by Government Co-operative Societies and public bodies with the object of increasing the area under and yield of food crops in this province inasmuch as this course of action is in the interest as much of cultivators as of the country as a whole. The conference urges the Provincial and Central Governments to assist cultivators to overcome difficulties arising from the pursuit of the "Grow more food" policy by adopting necessary measures such as the grant of facilities for transport, the supply of seed, the provision of loans at low rate of interest and the securing of fair prices for crops. The conference further recommends co-operative institutions in general and central financing agencies in particular to take suitable action to help the "Grow more food" campaign in their respective areas.

Co-operative Banks were urged to avail themselves of the services of the newly started Bombay Co-operative Marketing Society while an appeal was made to Government to reduce the scale of audit fees payable by Co-operative banks. The conference dispersed after adopting a vote of thanks to the Chairman and to the authorities of the Poona Central Co-operative Bank.

ON THE AIR

TUESDAY, MAY 26

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4 p.m. For troops in Burma. 5 S. Chowdhury and Party. 5-15 B. R. Deodhar. Vocal Music. 5-35 Shamshad Bai of Delhi. 6-25 Afzal Husain; 6-30 Ramanand Sharma. 6-45 Sohan Singh. 7 Lachhi Ram. 7-15 Imaginary letters 2. 7-30 Jeewan Ras. 7-50 Rageshwari. 8 For the Universities. 8-15 For villagers only. 9-30 BBC news relay. 9-45 Listening post. 9-50 Ramanand Sharma 10 Angi. 10-30 Shamshad Bai of Delhi.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)

7-30 a.m. Mumtaz Begam of Delhi. 7-50 News in Hindustani. 8 News in English. 8-10 Venu Bai Dewasthali. 8-25 G. G. Kharadkar. 8-35 Bhajan and Kannada song. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Madhusudan Acharya 9-25 AIR Quartet 12-30 p.m. Sindhi Kafi. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Gujarati geets. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch-hour music.

5 p.m To-morrow. 5-5 Madhusudan Acharya. 5-20 Clarionet duet. 5-30 A. K. Kokaje. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Mumtaz Begam. 6 News in English. 6-10 Counter-attack. 6-15 News in Hindustani. 6-25 Local news and announcements. 6-30 Children's half-hour (Gujarati). 7 Allied Endurance. 1 Talk in Marathi by S. K. Bhivandkar. 7-15 Venu Bai Dewasthali. 7-30 Gat tora on tabla by M. Tufail. 7-45 News commentary (Gujarati) 7-50 Haribhau Ghangrekar. 8-10 News in Marathi. 8-20 News in Gujarati. 8-30 Frowing highbrows, 3 Talk in English by R. Von Leyden. 8-45 Radio roconnaissance. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News Commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 BBC news relay. 9-45 Listening post 9-50 War review. 10 the harmony trio. 10-15 Leo D'Souza: 10-25 The harmony trio.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 to 7-50 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 7-50 Haribhau Ghangrekar. 8-10 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Recitations from Gujarati poems. By AIR Artist. 9 A. K. Kokaje. 9-10 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1.

12-30 to 2-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1.

5 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1 7-15 Interval

51.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 8-10 As in Bombay 1. 8-10 Mumtaz Begam. 8-30 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 AIR Orchestra. 9-10 Venu Bai Dewasthali. 9-20 Mumtaz Begam. 9-35 AIR Chorus party. 9-45 Haribhau Ghangrekar. 10-15 Ek Per Biji.

Security Demanded From Ahmedabad Paper

The Government of Bombay has demanded a security of Rs. 500 under section 7 (3) of the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act, 1931, from Mr. Suleman Ibrahim, publisher of the "Rozgar" newspaper of Ahmedabad for publishing in the issue of April 2, 1942, matter tending to promote feelings of enmity or hatred between different classes of His Majesty's subjects.

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IMPACT OF WAR ON RURAL ECONOMY

There has been much talk in India and abroad of post-war reconstruction, but those who indulge in it are often apt to forget that the war itself has given rise to economic problems which demand immediate solution. In a "total" war, all sections of the community have to undergo privations and sufferings such as were rarely the lot of the civilian populations in the wars of the past; and this is more or less inevitable. Communal life, social and economic, has to adapt itself to the changed and changing out look before the world; but in a country such as ours that does not enjoy political and economic freedom, this process of adaptation presents peculiar difficulties not experienced in countries with national governments of their own. The weaker, unorganized non-vocal sections of the community such as the farmer and farm-labourer find that their interests are sometimes overruled, occasionally not even considered, with the result that with the intensification of the war their economic condition steadily deteriorates.

Needs Of Agriculturists

The burden of the thoughtful presidential address which Mr. R. G Saraiya delivered at a recent conference of representatives of co-operative banks in Poona was that Government and those interested in the welfare of rural India should deem it a matter of especial concern to watch the effects of various war-time measures of restriction, regulation and control on the economic life of the agriculturist and should so mould their policy as to ensure that the well-being of the tiller of the soil is duly safeguarded. Following the lead given by the President the Co-operative Banks' Conference adopted a resolution requesting the Provincial and Central Governments to see that a reasonable standard of living was assured to the farmers and farm-labourers, and that, as in other countries with a predominant rural economy, suitable assistance was made available, wherever necessary, to enable this important section of the community to adjust itself to the new conditions of war-time economy.

Government's Duty

Keeping in view the economic welfare of the agriculturist Conference accorded its support to the movement that was first sponsored by the Congress and has now become part of official war-time measures to induce the cultivator to grow more food inasmuch as, in present conditions, such a switchover on the part of the farmer is conducive to the interest, both of himself and of the nation. While co-operative institutions with their limited resources may be able to help in this campaign to a slight extent, the Conference drew attention to the active steps that the Provincial Government ought to take to lead this "Grow More Food" drive to success. The supply of seed, the grant of facilities for transport, the provision of crop loans at low rates of interest, the securing of fair prices for crops—these were among the steps recommended by the Conference for the consideration of Government. The Central Government have placed substantial sums at the disposal of Provincial Governments for financing this campaign. Sowings for the agricultural season of 1942-43 will commence shortly; and, as Mr. Saraiya emphasised, now is the time for the Government of Bombay to announce forthwith in what definite form they will assist the agriculturist to switch-over to food crops in the interests of national economy.

MacArthur's Blows

While the Japanese have, on the Indo-China front, met with success undoubtedly dangerous to the cause of the United Nations, it is good to think of how General MacArthur's forces have made themselves felt by the aggressors. He has not given the detailed results of the Coral Sea battle. But it is clear that his claim to have "repulsed" a determined sea invasion of Australia with relatively heavy loss to the enemy was actually a modest statement of facts. That, in spite of the extravagant fanfares, the Japanese were effectively beaten is proved from the fact that they have not attempted any other invasion since then. It will be recalled that after suffering a serious reverse in the Macassar Strait the Japanese yet came back to carry out a decisive y successful attack on Java. They have not ventured to do so against Australia. The reasons are that the blow which involved the loss of two vital aircraft-carriers was a crippling one. On the other hand, the Americans escaped receiving a comparable damage, and have since strengthened their position still further. The Japanese find that a second adventure against such a foe may be too risky. They cannot easily gamble with more aircraft carriers and other valuable units.

Meanwhile, General MacArthur maintains the initiative in the air which he wrested from the Japanese some months ago. Last week's accomplishments, for instance, show how he has not only defeated all Japanese attempts to knock down Port Moresby, but has also continued his own remarkably damaging offensive against Japanese air bases and harbours and even extended his raids further north. The fact that the air initiative remains in his hands is highly important. The Japanese have, during the last few months, made several attempts by various means, of which the Coral Sea adventure was the most considerable, to regain mastery in the sky. Every attempt has failed, every reinforcement has suffered the same fate in the air and on the ground as its predecessor. The meaning seems to be simple: Japanese strength and resources have steadily weakened so that Japan cannot bring to the Australian front a decisive force of aircraft. If this is so, the situation points to an interesting state of affairs. The Tokio war lords are now faced with an immediate future in that war zone which must cause them profound perturbation.

Timoshenko On Top

Marshal Timoshenko is achieving a two-fold success on the Kharkov front. He has forced Marshal von Bock to resort again to the expedient of flinging Nazi tank reserves in mass formations and suffering losses in proportion. He has also resumed his progress towards Kharkov, however, slow it may be. Timoshenko's offensive, therefore, has emphatically not collapsed as the German Command would have the world and particularly its own people believe. It is, on the other hand, Marshal von Bock's counter-offensive further south which has collapsed. Moscow reports that the Red Army in this sector has now passed from passive to active defence which may yet lead to the launching of a Soviet offensive here, too. If that succeeds it may destroy all Herr Hitler's hopes of a grand offensive, conquest of the Caucasus, a triumphant drive through the Middle East and so on. Meanwhile, equally, good news comes from Russia's "production front" Russia, her Deputy Commissar for Munitions claims, is now producing modern deadly weapons which the Nazis do not possess. He has also announced that the Soviet production of munitions is now several times greater than the pre-war level. This is a wonderful achievement when it is remembered how much of her industrial resources Russia has lost since June 1941.

Frankly Speaking

Mexico Lines Up

On Thursday the Mexican Congress is meeting to consider the cabinet's recommendation to declare war on the Axis. It is a foregone conclusion that Mexico will be formally at war with the Axis and possibly Japan, too, by Thursday. Nor is it surprising that Mexico, the one country in the Western Hemisphere which can proudly claim a socialist record in politics and regime—often in defiance of the Big Neighbour itself—and, therefore, detests Nazism and Fascism profoundly, should refuse to accept tamely the torpedoing of her vessels. Mexico's entry on the side of the United Nations was inevitable. It is a great accession to the cause of the latter. Materially it is not quite significant. Mexico's resources except for the few small warships which she may possess were already at the disposal of the United Nations. But the moral effect, especially in latin America, of Mexico's entry is, we believe, bound to be great

General Smuts' Forecast

Speaking at a "Liberty Cavalcade" function at Johannesburg, General Smuts is reported to have said:

"The year 1942 may well prove to be the most terrible of the whole war. If may be that we shall have developments in Africa such as we have never seen before. I expect that. But I feel that as a result we shall probably find that the corner will be finally turned and although the end may not appear we shall see from what direction the end may come....."

The direction, if it is perceived in 1942, will indubitably be the Russian front. But what great developments does he expect in Africa? So fas as a Japanese invasion of that continent is concerned, it is out of the question so long as Ceylon and Madagascar both remain in British hands. The General, having just returned from North Africa, was probably thinking aloud of a German pincer against Egypt. Such a pincer is possible only if Russia collapses or Turkey is cajoled or conquered. Neither country is likely to oblige Germany. General Rommel may attempt a single drive against Egypt. But he is far from strong enough to succeed except possibly with the active wholesale military collaboration of France. Does General Smuts by any chance fear that as an imminent possibility?

Food Scarcity

According to a report submitted by some Congressmen in Nasik District to the Maharashtra District Famine Relief Committee, Peint Taluka in the district is already in the grip of severe famine Some details of the report are very distressing. "At times", it says, "children are deserted by their parents when they find it impossible to feed them any longer." There is this year every possibility in many places of failure of crops aggravating food shortage caused by war conditions. Difficulties in transport may cause serious delay in conveying food to where it is sorely needed. These considerations should induce all famine relief workers, official and non-official, not to be content with collecting funds for the relief of the famine-stricken but also to start growing more food wherever possible.

Not An Accurate Index

"If", says Gandhiji writing in "Harijan", "the collections I make at railway stations and at evening prayer when I am out of Sevagram are any index to the progress of the removal of untouchability it must be very substantial, for I notice that the response is more liberal than before." He also points out that "hardly a bystander at stations or a visitor to the prayer meeting refrains from giving his mite." We wish the progress in the removal of untouchability were as substantial as Gandhiji seems to suggest. The collections are a more accurate index of his personal influence than of the removal of untouchability. Many of those who pay at prayer meetings do not mind for which of Gandhiji's many causes their contributions are utilised. Moreover, as the work of the Harijan Sevak Sangh is at present mostly ameliorative, we can imagine a number of Sanatanists helping the Sanghas in their uplift work if only to divert attention from what they really object to, propaganda among the caste Hindus for the removal of untouchability. A reliable index of the progress of the removal of untouchability is the number of temples opened to the Untouchables.

Money Orders To Goa

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I sent a M. O. for Rs. 70 to Goa on 31-3-1942. To date it has not reached the payee Hundreds of such M. O.'s remain unpaid and no intimation of any kind has yet been sent either by the P. O. here or the paying authorities in Goa to the remitters or to the payees This has caused a great deal of inconvenience and embarrassment to the public Will it then be too much to expect the authorities to advise public of what is being done in the matter? Would it not be fair if M. O.'s were not accepted for Goa if it is not possible to pay them out within reasonable time? And if the M. O.'s are recalled here, is the P. O. not obliged to pay the commission (Rs 1/8 per cent.) already charged by them?—Yours, etc.

▲ GOAN.

BURMA CAN BE RE-TAKEN FROM JAPS

Gen. Stilwell Pleads For A Little Extra Air Strength:

NEW DELHI, May 25.

"BURMA CAN AND MUST BE RE-TAKEN FROM THE JAPANESE."

IT IS A VITAL POINT FOR OUR RE-ENTRY INTO CHINA AND I AM CERTAIN THAT WE CAN GET IT BACK," DECLARED GENERAL STILWELL, COMMANDER OF THE CHINESE FORCES IN LURMA, WHO HAS ARRIVED IN DELHI FOR CONFERENCE WITH GENERAL WAVELL.

General Stilwell was quite outspoken in his references to the Eurma operation. "I am not offering an apology", he declared, "We took a beating." He insisted, however, that a little extra strength particularly air strength in Burma might have tipped the balance the other way. "Our entire Burma campaign," he asserted, "was fought blind. We had no air force."

AMERICANS CAN DO IT

Asked how the recapture of Eurma would be accomplished, General Stilwell said that as far as Americans were concerned the A. V. G. was being transformed into a regular army air pursuit group, while additional bombers and fighters were being dispatched to build up a United States Air Force in China. "It would also be nice," he added with a twinkle in his eye, "to have some American troops."

Chinese soldiers, he said, were good fighting men, properly led. Japanese were not supermen but good soldiers, tough, well-trained able to live on short ration and ready to die.

"There is an old proverb," he remarked summing up the situation, "that a snake can only swallow so much without going pop. So can the Japanese. The retaking of Burma is a serious proposition not to be undertaken without properly co-ordinated forces."

18 DAY-TREK

Comfortably ensconced in his Delhi hotel suite, his tall, wiry figure betrayed little trace of what he with a large party of American, Chinese and Burmese officers had gone through in their eighteen day trek, mostly on foot, from Wuntho his headquarters in Burma to the Indian Frontier before he flew to New Delhi. The party numbered 104 including Major-General Sibert, besides nurses and members of Dr. Seagrave's famous American Medical Unit.

Starting out on May 4, the party was almost immediately thereafter cut off from the world, until two days' journey from the Assam frontier they were met by a British search party, bringing horses and food.

Chinese forces had fought rearguard action from Maymyo to Shwebo and then to Wuntho, from where General Stilwell and the party decided to make their way to India. Their route passed through jungle so dense that only one R. A. F. plane was able to locate them and drop food. Naga tribesmen who met the party were very friendly; gave them mugs of beer, chickens and red blankets.

After his conferences with General Wavell, General Stilwell proposes to return to China.—A.P.

OPERATIONS IN BURMA

R. A. F. Spokesman On Causes Of Failure

NEW DELHI, May 25

Something of the part played by the Allied Air Forces, the American Volunteer Group, the R.A.F., the Indian Air Force, the Burma Vounteer Forces and the U. S. Air Corps, during recent months was told by an R.A.F. spokesman at a Press Conference to-day. He explained why events had not justified statements made earlier in the year about the position in Burma and why we lost the Air superiority we had established there over the enemy and why the reinforcements we were receiving had not all of them gone into Burma

Dividing the position into two phases, the spokesman said the first was up to the time before we left Rangoon area and the second was that between leaving Rangoon area and the present time. In the first phase, Allied forces were operating from well-prepared aerodromes, and as a result, the Allied forces were able to take a heavy toll of the enemy as far as limited resources allowed, and they also carried out some very effective bombing forays against enemy aerodromes. There, the A. V. G., the R.A.F. and I.A.F. proved their superiority in air combats and attacking ground targets

OUTNUMBERED BY ENEMY FORCES

Unfortunately there was no time then for our air forces to build up to a degree to allow us to carry the offensive south and eastwards against the enemy's main bases. We could not, therefore, effectively smash up the enemy on the ground in his bases and British and Indian land forces were outnumbered and forced, owing to the enemy's capacity to outflank them, to withdraw from Rangoon and Southern Burma.

AIR DEFENCES OF KEY AREAS

Lacking adequate provision for dispersal, our losses on the ground in Central Burma were heavy in comparison to the reinforcements we had available. Moreover by this time, with the evacuation of Rangoon and the domination by the Japanese of the waters of the Bay of Bengal, it was no longer possible to commit every reinforcement we were getting to Burma. The Air defences of key areas in India itself and in Ceylon were greater in importance. Thus, it was that air reinforcements by that time beginning to flow into India were being concentrated in bases in this country and Ceylon. And events have fully justified that particularly on the occasions of the Japanese attack on Colombo and Trincomalee.

Lately, as the communiques had stated, offensive bombing had been proceeding on an increasing scale. The U. S. Army Air Corps and the R.A.F. from India had been attacking in Burma. Far from qualifying our confidence in our ability to tackle the Japanese in the air, events had fully convinced us of the superior quality both of our airmen and aircraft, and it certainly left no doubt that with any thing approaching parity, we could gain mastery in the air.

ENORMOUS PROBLEM

The effective air defence of this country is an enormous problem, just as enormous as the country itself," said the spokesman, "and I don't suggest that we have as many aircraft as we would like—no commander is ever satisfied with the number of aircraft he has. Nevertheless as General Wavell told you in his broadcast, the air defences of this country have increased very much in the last few months and that increase continues.

"I have been round and seen the Indian Air Force squadrons," he added, "and I have been impressed by the efficiency and keenness of the personnel, both pilots and ground personnel."—A.P.

Revised Newspaper Control Order Amended

WHEN UNUSED PORTION OF JOURNAL'S WEEKLY QUOTA CAN BE TRANSFERRED TO WEEKLY EDITION

NEW DELHI, May 25.

A representation has been made to the Government of India in connection with the revised Newspaper Control Order, 1942 which is due to come into force on June 1, 1942, says a Press Note.

Where a daily newspaper has registered its weekly edition as a separate newspaper and where the weekly edition is of the same class as the other editions of the daily newspaper, the unused portion, if any, of the quota applicable to the daily newspaper should be allowed to be used for the purposes of the weekly edition.

For example, a daily newspaper of Class A which is sold at two annas on week days and of which the Sunday Edition of the same class is sold at two annas on Sundays, will be entitled, under the Revised Order, to a weekly quota of 56 pages in respect of its Sunday editions. It was represented that if such a newspaper published six daily editions of eight pages each and thus saved eight pages of its weekly quota, it should be allowed to add these eight pages to its Sunday Edition, though the latter is formally registered as a separate newspaper

ORDER AMENDED.

The Government of India have considered this request and have to-day issued a notification amending the Revised Newspaper Control Order, so as to permit a daily newspaper to transfer the unused portion of its weekly quota not exceeding one-seventh part of such quota to its weekly edition when the latter is registered as a separate newspaper and is of the same class as the other editions.

It has already been announced that those newspapers which were being published on all days of the week during the twelve months ending April 30, 1942, but which have not registered their weekly edition as a separate newspaper, may effect the registration not later than June 30, 1942, if they desire to get the benefit accruing from such registration in respect of the number of pages allowed under the Newspaper Control Order.—A. P.

"No Danger Of Office At Any Price"

Rajaji Carries On His Campaign Vigorously

TINNEVELLY, May 23.

The extraordinary conditions through which the country was passing at present demanded extraordinary measures on our part to deal with the problems facing us. A new method should not be rejected off-hand merely because it was not the traditional and orthodox one; it should be considered on its merits, thus observed Mr. C. Rajagopalachari addressing a large gathering of Hindus and Muslims on the sand of Tambraparni river. Explaining the scope and meaning of his resolution which the A. I. C. C. had rejected the speaker urged the people to examine his proposal as well as the criticisms thereon and said if they found a revision of the Congress resolution necessary as a result of such examination, they should demand such a revision.

Mr. Rajagopalachari exhorted people in every locality to organise themselves for mutual protection. He said should danger arise and should the normal machinery not function properly, the local people should be ready to take charge and give all possible help to the people. Automatically, they would find power coming into their hands irrespective of any constitution or charter. He assured the people, he was not thinking of office for the sake of position or salary but the service that it was possible to render. Unless there was popular support for the step it would be useless and impossible for him to think of taking office. He would assure them he was not so lost to commonsense as to purchase that "danger" of office at any price.

Mr. Rajagopalachari spent a busy day in Tinnevelly. Local Congressmen met him and discussed with him the implications of his proposal.—A. P.

NATIONALIST MUSLIM SUPPORT TO RAJAJI

DINDIGUL, May 23.

The Conference of Nationalist Muslims which met at Dindigul this evening decided by majority (only five dissenting) to support Mr. Rajagopalachari's proposal for a Congress-League understanding "as a statesmanlike move for effecting Hindu-Muslim unity."

About 60 Muslims from various parts of the presidency attended the conference which was presided over by K. S. Mahomed Abdul Khadar, M.L.A.

Mr. Rajagopalachari addressed the conference at the conclusion and answered some questions. Declaring his firm belief that if the League's demand for separation was conceded in principle now, the Muslims might not later enforce their right, Mr Rajagopalachari said it was for the Nationalist Muslims to declare their views openly since it had been said that he had embarassed them by making the new proposal.

Answering a question he said that an impartial examination of his proposal would be possible only if his "bona fides" were accepted. Some day, the Congress would certainly accept his proposal, but he was not particular that it should be accepted if an understanding could be effected through some other method.—A. P.

In Malabar

DRIVE FOR SELF-SUFFICIENCY

Leader Of Commerce Chamber On 'C. R.'s' Scheme

CALICUT, May 24.

Malabar was not self-sufficient in the matter of agricultural products and they had to import rice from outside. If there were only persons to finance and direct agricultural work most of the lands now lying waste in the district could be made to yield new and better food crops, observed Mr. A. K. T.K. M. Narayan Nambudaripad opening the Thirteenth Annual Session of the Malabar Chamber of Commerce. He deplored the closing of the Nilambar Shoranur Railway and said the economic condition of Malabar would be very much improved if that line was reopened and the Chalkudi-Nellimpathy scheme was completed.

Mr. B. S. Tripurantaka Mudaliar retiring president in his address stated, the policy pursued by the Congress so far had been barren and the commercial community was most disappointed in that respect. Mr. Rajagopalachari's resolution in the A. I. C. C. was the first protest from within the party against the "masterly inactivity" preached by the Congress. In the speaker's opinion, though Mr. Rajagopalachari's scheme was not in the best interest of India, yet in the absence of an alternative scheme, his scheme held the field.—A.P.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Truth lies at the bottom of the well—and anglers never go there to fish

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Don't forget that the wisest owl occasionally hoots at the wrong time.

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When some people make up their minds they leave out a lot of important matter.

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A man sometimes is compelled to put up with those he does not love—pawnbrokers, for instance.

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No woman ever loved a man so much that she didn't try to find out the cost of the engagement ring.

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No matter how little we love our neighbours we can see no reason why they shouldn't have a kindly feeling for us.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"Nobody considered it derogatory to anyone's dignity to do propaganda for India in the U. S. A. Nor was it derogatory to Britain's dignity to ask for aid much more concrete than moral support!"
—Anglo-India.

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In Mahatma Gandhi's opinion, Sir Stafford Cripps should, in the absence of a Congress-League agreement, have asked either the Congress or the League to form the Cabinet.

In the first case he possibly couldn't, in the second he didn't lest the League accept with the results envisaged by Gandhiji.

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According to Mr. Amery "the British Empire, like all human institutions, may be an imperfect thing."

It is scarcely to be hoped that by "human institution" he just meant an institution devised by bipeds.

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But Mr. Amery would not be the proud imperialist if he contented himself with a confession of the Empire's imperfection—to the gratification and amusement of the city of London.

He also insists that "it"—here the interrupting Junior Colleague innocently asked 'the city of London'—"has been the greatest agency for freedom and justice in the world."

One can only pity such a world and exclaim, very, very *sotto voce* "Leaders of er--Empire Builders!"

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The best Amereysque gem in our Secretary of States oratory was, however, his argument conclusively and completely exonerating the "Empire" champions on the subject of the Malaya and Burma tragedies.

"We" did not tax or train the inhabitants of these territories for warfare because it had been assumed that the British Navy would "guarantee peace." That "assumption" says Mr. Amery has been "falsified." And that, of course, is not *our* fault. Is it? Q. E. D.

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Elaborate arrangements are being made in Madrid to accord a ceremonious reception to the Khalif of Spanish Morocco says a report.

Apparently General Franco is preparing to announce himself the Saviour. Sword of Islam, Signor Mussolini, retired owing to unavoidable reasons.

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Talking of the Myitkina evacuation, now that General Bereton's Ferry Command has successfully completed this job, how about ferrying a few hundred bombs to enemy bases?

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Japanese vanguards were reported on Sunday to be only seven miles from the capital of Chekiang.

But the Pacific Conference has the situation well in hand. It has launched a grand offensive against Japan and has already achieved a spectacular, devastating and annihilating success, viz., the slogan "Japan for the Japanese"

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According to a New York report, synthetic rubber is being produced from petroleum.

Now it only remains for some other scientist to extract synthetic petroleum from rubber.

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"We need rain", says Goering.
To water the Nazis' evil crop?

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Addressing a meeting at Calicut, Chaudhry Khaliquzzaman, the prominent Muslim Leaguer said that the League stood for something bigger than Pakistan.

Say for instance, Hindustan?

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Said a senior Burma returnee officer at London: "But in Burma the Japanese always had the advantage in numbers and a tremendous advantage in the air....."

Even senior military officers now agree with us.

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Lord Halifax has told Reuter that he is returning to England in August "for three weeks' work and two weeks' holiday."

Work? What work? Hasn't President Roosevelt, the British Ambassador at Washington, already got his representative, viz., Mr. Winant in London?

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"I am glad to find you as you are", said the old friend. "Your great wealth hasn't changed you."

"Well", replied the candid millionnaire, "it has changed me in one thing. I'm now eccentric where I used to be vulgar, and delightfully witty where I used to be rude."

"Bogus A. R. P. Wardens'

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Reports at hand go to prove without the shadow of a doubt, that Poona is being regaled by the activities of some bogus A.R.P. wardens It is really tantalizing to see the citizens, particularly the ignorant ones, being deluded into the belief that an individual possessing an A.R.P. badge and armlet is a 'bona fide' Warden. I think it is high time the A.R.P. authorities instructed the citizens to the effect that a 'bona fide' Warden possesses besides the A.R.P. badge and armlet an authority card, issued by the A.R.P. Controller and that those devoid of this authority are mere fakes, and should be handed over to the police for necessary action.—Yours etc.

IQBAL KHAN.

SCATTERED COVERING IN N. Y. MARKET

TRADERS AWAIT HOUSE ACTION ON FARM BILL

Bombay, May 25.

On Saturday the New York cotton market was quietly steady. There was scattered liquidation and local and New Orleans selling which met routine trade demand. Uncertainties over C.C.C. May option sales and disposition to await House action on the Senate approved Farm Bill caused buyers to sidelines. Finally there was week end covering.

At the opening July was one point up at 19.19 and declined to 19.12 which was the lowest. Later prices advanced to 19.25 and finally closed at a net rise of 1 to 3 points. Spot cotton prices improved one point at 20.73c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

The New Orleans cotton market was quietly steady and closed at a rise of 1 to 2 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 2 points at 19.60c. per lb.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

Cotton persistently declined on nervous liquidation, New Orleans selling, stoppioss orders, confusion over textile ceilings and the farm bloc's split over the disposal of surplus commodities.

It is understood that the Secretary of Agriculture has rejected the plan to increase acreage in Western States to correspond with portions of allotted acreage unplanted in earlier regions.

Active demand for 1941 loan stocks was indicated by substantial repossessions with redemptions to May 9 at 44 per cent of total entries.

Talk of the possibility of victory sooner than expected would temporarily dislocate the geared-up textile industry.

South-Western spot markets were more active with new crop enquiry steadily increasing. Further easiness is possible.

PRIVATE CABLES :—

N. Y. July highest (11-52 a.m.)	19.25+07
N. Y. July lowest (10-3 a.m.)	19.12—06

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co., Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends :—

New York.—Market narrow and featureless, awaiting house action on farm bill.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 23.

July	19.19+01
October	19.41+01
December	19.56+01
January	19.60+01
March	19.73+03
May	19.83+03

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, May 25.

	Old	Ready
Bengal	125-30	146/49
Berar	140-45	156/59
C. P. 1	145-50	179/84
C. P. 2	140-45	166/69
Khandesh	120-30	...
Muglai	125-30	...
Broach	130-35	175/78
Broach Low	120-25	...

COTTON TENDERS

Bombay, May 25.

	To-day	Total.
Broach	4,250	84,850
Bengal	Nil	4,950
Oomra	450	17,400

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, May 25.

Following a rise of one point in New York cotton futures, the local market opened to-day at Rs. 180 for Broach J/A delivery and declined to Rs. 178/4 under scattered selling. At the decline there was some short covering and prices improved to Rs. 179/8. There was steady tone with less inclination to sell. It appears that weak long holdings are now about liquidated and the market look like meeting increasing demand on any further decline.

Later on there was increased selling and prices declined to Rs. 176/4 but steadied at Rs. 176/12; Prices further improved to Rs. 177/12 on scattered covering. The market closed at 4-30 p.m. as under :—

BROACH July/August	177	8 0
OOMRA July	151	8 0
BENGAL July	144	0 0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, May 25.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal (I P.	150	147	144	141	
M G Punjab	150	147	144	141	
M G Rajputana	156	153	150	147	
M G Oomra No. 3	162	159	156	153	..
M G C. P. No. 1	190	187	184	181	...
M G C. P. No. 2	174	171	168	165	...
M G Broach No.	180	177	174	171	
M G Puni-Ameri	250	247	244	241	
M G Surat	325	322	319	316	
M G Rajpipla	320	317	314	311	
M G Navsari	330	327	324	321	

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, May 26.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

Since 1st September.

In full-pressed Bales.

	23-5-42	This year	Last year.
Khandesh	.....	77,710	98,613
Central India	.....	29,980	136,762
Barsi and Nagar	.....	53,000	112,906
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	16,804	43,677
Berar	50	177,227	362,267
Central Provinces	.....	87,465	75,524
Total Oomra	50	442,276	829,849
Dholeras	.....	30,899	89,278
N.-W. Provinces	.....	1,425	1,306
Rajputana	.....	402	5,496
Sind-Punjab	103	406,697	512,510
Broach	150	315,755	278,135
Coompta & Dharwar	.....	19,509	91,879
Westerns-Northerns	510	14,891	78,934
Cocoanada	.....	.....	239
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	199	13,153	3,036
Arr. by road to 21st May	42	92,500	898,133

COTTON PARITY

Broach J/A below New York July 1.224 cents points at Exchange Rate 331.

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, May 25.

Yellow Metal Sheet	Rs. 95	0 0
Copper Sheets	Rs. 126	0 0

Tone :—Steady.

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, May 25.

On Saturday London markets were closed. London gold was £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York. London spot silver was 23 1/2 and New York silver was quoted at 35 1/8 cents. London Bombay spot and forward silver parity was Rs. 62-10-3. The local market was quiet with scattered selling and quotations were as under :—

GOLD.

Ready	Rs. 48	5 0
1st Jeth	48	3 0
Sovereigns	36	14 0

SILVER.

Ready	80	8 0
1st Jeth	77	8 0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, May 25.

The market ruled fairly steady to-day. Tata Deferreds were better off at 1430. Tata Ordinaries were steadier at 283. Bombay Dyeing stood at 1110. Indian Irons were a little better at 24.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day :—

Tata Deferreds (1420). 1430.
Tata Ordinaries (281). 283.
Tata Ordinary 283 Tata Deferred 1430
Indian Iron 24 Steel Corpn of Bengal 14-15
Bombay Dyeing 1110 Central India 340
Century 401-4 Gokak 250 Kohinoor 451-4
Simplex 194 Andhra Valley 1550 Tata Hydro 163-2 Tata Power 1430 Associated Cement 162 Belapur 240 Bombay Burma (old) 213-12

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED

Bombay, May 25.

The local Share Bazar remained closed to-day as a mark of respect to the death of a member of the Exchange.

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay, May 25.

Linseed May	9	8 3
Linseed September	7	4 0
Wheat May	8	4 3
Wheat September	6	4 3

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay, May 25.

Groundnuts May—		
Opening	49	8 0
Highest	49	8 0
Lowest	49	4 0
Closing	49	4 0
Groundnuts August—		
Opening	49	15 0
Highest	50	8 0
Lowest	49	8 0
Closing	49	11 0
Cottonseeds May—		
Opening	26	1 0
Highest	26	1 0
Lowest	25	13 0
Closing	25	13 0
Cottonseeds September.—		
Opening	27	2 0
Highest	27	9 0
Lowest	27	2 0
Closing	27	4 0
Castorseeds September—		
Opening	47	6 0
Highest	47	8 0
Lowest	47	0 0
Closing	47	2 0

PEPPER AND GINGER

Bombay, May 25.

Pepper Allipai Ready	161	0 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15	161	0 0
Pepper Ashad Sud 15	167	0 0
Ginger Ready	88	0 0
Ginger Jeth Sud 15	75	0 0

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay, May 25.

Yarn No 6 1/2s June 202; August 203 October 203

Yarn No. 10 1/2s June 218; August 219 October 219

Yarn No. 20 1/2s June 336 August 338 October 338

Yarn No. June 475 August 480 October 480

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, May 25.

LONDON :—
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 9/32 Two months
Bak's buying 90 days/St 106 5/16 Three months
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 5/16 Four months
R.C. Rates :—T T 1/6 15/16 D D 1/6 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/6 31/32 D D 1/6 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32
NEW YORK :—
Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4: D D Rs 332 3/4.
Banks buying T T Rs 329 1/2: D D Rs 326 1/2
MONTREAL :—
Banks selling T T Rs 302 1/2: D D Rs 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs 297 3/4: D D Rs 294 3/4.
BERNE :—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4: D D nil
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2: D D nil
STOCKHOLM :—
Banks selling T T K 123: D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128: D D K 128
MEXICO :—
Banks selling T T Rs 67.27: D D Rs 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04: D D Rs 62.04
LISBON :—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nominal: D D Esc 7.35 nominal
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55: D D Esc 7.55
AUSTRALIA :—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8: D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T nil: D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Steady
Gold £8-8-0 Ready
New York Silver 35 1/8
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready: 23 1/2 Forward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 3 per cent
Money :—Call 1/4 per cent
1 month 1/2 per cent
2 months 3/4 per cent
3 to 6 months 1 per cent
Tone :—Easy

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, May 23.

Broach A/M highest 174 1/2 lowest 173 1/2 closing 174
Broach J/A highest 180 3/4 lowest 178 closing 180 1/2
Oomra May highest 155 1/4 lowest 154 closing 155 1/4
Oomra July highest 163 1/2 lowest 162 closing 163 1/2
Bengal May highest 144 lowest 142 1/2 closing 144
Bengal July highest 145 1/2 lowest 144 1/2 closing 144 1/2

CHEQUES CLEARED : Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 22-5-1942 were as under :—
Number of cheques—1,06,864
Amount of cheques—19,49,23,703-6-1.

Latest Commercial

COTTON

JULY

New York, May 25.

Previous closing	19.19
To-day's opening	19.20
Difference	+01
To-day's closing	Not received

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 25.

Following are the New York opening ranges :—
July (19.19/19) 19.20/20
October (19.39/39) 19.40/39
December (19.53/53) 19.55/54

Calcutta Share Bazar

CALCUTTA, May 25.

SHAREMARKET—Decidedly better market was observed after the week-end and particularly the more speculative issues were in good request at gradually hardening rates. The volume of business was limited. Government Securities improved slightly.

Government Securities 23/4 per cent Loan 1948/52 94/14 slot 3 per cent defence loan 1949/52 97/7 slot 3-1/2 per cent GP 91/ 4-1/2 per cent loan 1955/60 108/13 5 per cent loan 1945/55 106/14 three per cent up loan 1961/66 88 slot Sara Serajganj Rly Cotton—Cawnpore Textile 8/- New Victoria 5/5 Jute—Dalhousie pref 130 miscellaneous—Indian Copper 1/15 Dalmia Cement ord 13/9 do pref 113/8 Indian Iron 24/5 Steel Corpn. ord. 15/2 Balmer Lawrie 325 Buland 28, Purtabpore 10/8 Debentures—5-1/4 per cent Bohtas Industries 103/8 slot.

GANDHIJI'S FUTURE PLAN

BOMBAY, May 25.

The Associated Press sends the following corrections : In our yesterday's message reporting Mr. Meherally's speech at the Congress House Maidan at Poona on Saturday evening, Mr. Meherally was reported to have said that Mahatma Gandhi was shortly going to launch a new movement. Mr. Meherally points out that what he actually said in his speech, which was delivered in Hindustani, was, "from the articles of Mahatma Gandhi in the "Harijan" you must have seen a stiffening up in his attitude. Should Gandhiji and the Congress start a movement in the near future, I hope all loyal Congressmen would keep themselves ready to join the struggle."

Mr. Meherally was also reported to have said, "if the Muslim provinces such as the N.-W. F P., Punjab and Sind were to be separated, the grants from the Central Government now enjoyed by these provinces would be stopped with the result their budgetary position would be pitiful".

Mr. Meherally says that he referred to N.-W. F. P., Baluchistan and Sind, and not to the Punjab, which is not receiving any subvention from the Central Government.—A. P.

VACANCIES ON VICEREGAL COUNCIL

Dr. Ambedkar Being Mentioned Again

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, May 25.

An announcement is expected, in the next few days regarding the vacancies on the Vicerov's Council. Dr. Ambedkar's name is considered most likely as representative of the scheduled castes. So also, Sir Jogendrasingh, now Prime Minister, Patiala in response to the demand from the Sikh Community that they should be represented in the Council.

Two names are mentioned for the Muslim Membership—Sir Mohomed Usman of Madras or Sir A. F. Rahman, recently retired from Federal Services Commission. Probably, the latter, as Sir A. F. Rahman enjoys considerable reputation in official circles.

Reshuffling of portfolios including bifurcation of the Communications Portfolio is foreshadowed as part of the new expansion scheme. As the Civil Defence Member, Mr. Raghavendra Rao is also proceeding on leave a temporary arrangement will have to be made for his portfolio. One Indian official probably S. N. Roy is expected to be included in the New Council in order to fulfil the statutory requirement that there should be three members with at least ten years' service under the Crown.

Frontier Muslim Leaguers Demand By-Elections

PESHAWAR, May 25.

A vigorous demand for the holding of by-elections to the six vacant seats in the Frontier Assembly was made at a public meeting held under the auspices of the Peshawar City Muslim League, Agha Syed Lal Badshah presiding.

The meeting passed a resolution requesting the Governor of the North-West Frontier Province to realise the urgent necessity of having a responsible Government in the Province in view of the present situation. The League expressed confidence that they would win the by-elections in such a manner as to be easily able to form a Government.—A.P.

ALLIES POUND JAP AERODROME

Bombers On Ground Severely Damaged

LONDON, May 25.

Allied Headquarters in Australia: A 'communique' says, "New Britain Rabaul: Vunakanau aerodrome was attacked by our air forces who inflicted severe losses on enemy heavy bombers on the ground.

Twenty bombs were dropped on one group of about 20 parked aeroplanes. All landed in the target area. Two direct hits were observed and many planes were set on fire. One building was left ablaze.

Considerable anti-aircraft fire was encountered but there was no fighter interception. One of our planes failed to return."—Reuter.

JAP DIET MEETS

Nations Material And Spiritual Mobilisation To Be Intensified

TOKYO, May 25.

The much awaited 80th extraordinary session of the Japanese Diet opened this morning with the purpose of further intensifying the nation's material as well as spiritual mobilization.

During the five days session the Government will seek the Diet's approval of the Government-sponsored ship-building plans as a supplementary budget.—Reuter.

Western Pacific Island's Contributions To War

SUVA (Fiji), May 25.

Contributions to the war effort now stand at 115,000 Sterling according to a statement by the Governor of Fiji the High Commissioner of the Western Pacific in a broadcast address on Empire Day. The total includes 66,000 for bombers, 17,500 for the Red Cross and 25,600 for fighters. Tonga's contributions total over 11,000 plus a contribution of 20,000, annually for two years towards defence. The Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony has contributed 14,700, the British Solomon island 4,000 and the New Hebrides 5,300. Pitcairn Island has made gifts in kind.—Reuter.

Nine Japanese Bombers Shot Down

LONDON, May 25.

SYDNEY: The story of how after Japanese aircraft had bombed an Allied vessel several hundred miles from Australia, one of the bombers hit by anti-aircraft fire crashed in flames on the ship's deck is told by one of the survivors' crew who is now in an Allied hospital.

Waves of Japanese bombers, one consisting of eighteen planes, attacked the ship which was hit by three bombs, thereafter the damaged Japanese bomber dived like a blazing comet and crashed on the ship and exploded, turning the deck into a sheet of flames.

The crew believe that nine Japanese bombers were shot down. Less than half the crew were rescued, some escaping in rafts while others remained on the burning ship until taken off by a destroyer which finally sank the vessel because it was too badly damaged for salvage.—Reuter.

Particularly Good Show

MELBOURNE, May 25.

Commenting on the Amboina raid on May 23rd the Commonwealth Air Department says after a period of quiescence this R.A.A.F. blow was a particularly good show. "Our bombers attacked shipping and aerodrome meeting fierce opposition from enemy fighters three of which were shot down. Our losses were one plane."—Reuter.

Frontier Congress Committee

PESHAWAR, May 25.

It is understood that the President of the Frontier Provincial Congress Committee is summoning an extraordinary meeting of the F. P. C. C. early next month to consider the general political situation in the Frontier Province and discuss plans for strengthening the Congress organisation.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, who has resigned from the Congress will be specially invited to attend.—A.P.

National Govt. For India

British Communists Urge Resumption Of Parleys With Congress

LONDON, May 25.

A resolution proposing that negotiations should be immediately recpened with the Indian National Congress for the formation of a representative national government "with full powers which could enjoy the confidence of the Indian people and mobilise them for active defence in co-operation with the United Nations", was carried at the annual conference of the Communist Party of Great Britain in London to-day.

The resolution also urged that all anti-Fascist prisoners should be released, that fullest aid should be given to the Indian people in the organisation of all forms of defence and that all restrictions on India's industry should be removed"

The conference also adopted another resolution appealing for increased production and national unity and declaring that "the immediate opening of a second front in Europe was now imperative to secure complete victory in 1942."

Mr. William Rust, a former Editor of the "Daily Worker", in speaking on the resolution demanding the lifting of the ban on the paper, said that raising of the ban was now within sight.—Reuter.

RETURNING CONFIDENCE

Signs of returning confidence among the citizens of Bombay who had evacuated as a safety measure, are evident for the past few days during which, a few of the families have staged a come-back. The situation with regard to labour in Bombay has also improved slightly during the past fortnight. Two of the local mills have it is understood decided to restart the night shift

Most of the Colleges and Schools in the city are scheduled to re-open by the second week of June and some of the students who had asked for their leaving certificates have changed their mind and intimated to the school authorities that they would return to Bombay before the re-opening.

Japanese Air Losses

LONDON May 25.

Allied headquarters in Australia: Japanese air losses at Rabaul during the past three weeks total six bombers and ten fighters destroyed and fourteen bombers and two fighters damaged. These figures which are official, do not include losses inflicted in yesterday's big raid reported in to-day's communique.—Reuter.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

To the issue of "TRUTH" of March 6, General Sir Hubert Gough contributes a scathing article entitled, Too Late Again in Singapore and India." Gough says:

"If we had had a single military mind with clear and simple views, the three problems, Singapore, Burma and India, as far as military operations on land go, could and should have been met by concentrating seven or eight divisions from India (about 200,000 men) in Southern Burma. But that is not all. The land communications between India and Southern Burma are almost non-existent. Even if at that time (August, September and October) it might have been hoped that we could keep open our sea routes from Calcutta, or Madras, to Rangoon, it was yet of vital importance that our more direct land communications should also be opened.

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One of the last orders passed by the Government of Malaya was circulated on little strips of paper to the women working for the Government. It read: EVERY WOMAN FOR HERSELF. Was that the tradition of the gallant Englishman?

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Inquiries made from reliable sources reveal that the reason wny new BEST buses are painted green and not red is because there is a shortage of red paint, because of the large quantities used in Delhi and Simla for red tape. (Director of Information, please copy.)

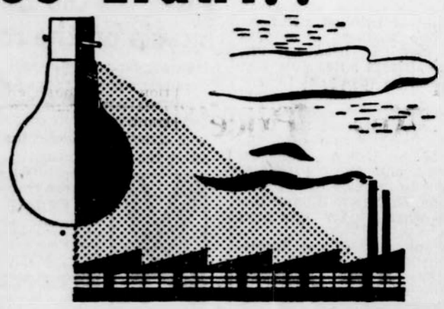
REX Delicious JELLIES

KASHMIR RICE & MAIZE EXPORT STOPPED

SRINAGAR, May 25.

With a view to prevent surreptitious sales of commodities at rates higher than those already fixed by the authorities, the Kashmir Government have taken a number of active measures. Export of rice and maize which form the articles of staple food of the Kashmir Province has also been stopped.—United Press.

LESS LIGHT..



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In the present war the Corps continue to play a vital part—detachments having served in the Western Desert, Libya, Eritrea, Abyssinia, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Malaya and Burma. To date, they have been awarded three M. B. E's., one I. O. M., nine I.D.S.M's. and nine Mentions in Despatches.

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MUTT AND JEFF—And From Now On Jeff Will Remember Pearl Harbor — By BUD FISHER

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THEY'RE DIVING FOR COINS! WATCH, I'LL THROW THIS TWO BITS IN!
ALOHA!
ALOHA!
NOW WATCH THE FUN! I'LL THROW THIS SILVER DOLLAR OVER!
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ALOHA!
SPLASH!
ALOHA!
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Joint Front Against Fascist Aggression

NAGPUR CONFERENCE FORMULATES 6-POINT PLAN TO FIGHT MENACE

NAGPUR, May 25.

A six-point programme for the people of India to organise themselves against aggression was drawn up at the Anti-Fascist conference which concluded here late last night. Mr. K. M. Ashraf of Allahabad presided.

The conference was largely attended including many students and kisans.

At the conclusion of the conference a resolution was passed drawing attention to the Japanese menace and calling upon every Indian to rally to the defence of his motherland and save her from the menace of perpetual slavery.

The resolution points out that the triumph of Fascism would mean the end of all ideals of liberty and peace. Therefore, all out resistance to Fascism should be the immediate task of every freedom-loving man and woman in India.

The conference laid down the following immediate task for the people of this country: Firstly, the formation of joint fronts consisting of members of the Congress, Muslim League and other political parties in different localities to prepare for all out resistance against Fascist aggression, secondly, the formation of peoples defence councils comprising representatives of all political parties and other sections of the population as workers, students and kisans, thirdly, the establishment of popular organisations for carrying out effective propaganda to explain the reactionary role of Fascism, to prevent panic, to strengthen the morale of the people and to avoid defeatist tendencies, fourthly, to organise food supplies, solve the problems of evacuees, to establish conciliation committees to solve the day-to-day problems of workers, fifthly, to co-ordinate the work of all volunteer brigades and civil defence and sixthly to emphasise the necessity of national economy planning in consultation with leaders, industrial workers and proprietors of industries. The resolution concludes: "This conference is of the opinion that all these immediate tasks can be effectively and promptly organised only through the agency of a national government during the period of war and, therefore, calls upon the people to make an emphatic demand for arming the masses for the purpose of effective defence of their motherland.

This conference appeals to people of all shades of political opinion to rise above petty sectional considerations and party interests in this hour of supreme national and international crisis and concentrate their energies and give of their best for the common task of the defence of their motherland".—A P.

Congress Vice-President Suspended

PESHAWAR, May 24.

Khan Ali Gul Khan, President of the Frontier Provincial Congress Committee, in a press statement announces that for publishing a poem which is likely to strain the relations between Hindus and Muslims of the Province, Sardar Milap Singh "Azad", Vice-President of the Frontier Congress, has been suspended from the membership of the organisation.

The Sardar has been asked to explain his conduct and on receipt of his reply the F. P. C. C. will consider the matter further.

The poem, it is stated, relates to the marriage of Dr. Khan Saheb's daughter with Flt. Lieut. Jaswant Singh.—United Press.

You Need YEAST-VITE

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Who Will Be Next Dean Of G. S. College & Edward Hospital?

Post To Be Advertised To Select Best Medical Man

BOMBAY, Monday.

The question of appointing a successor to Dr. Jivraj Mehta who is shortly retiring from office of the Dean of the K. E. M. Hospital and the G. S. Medical College, was discussed at a meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, on Monday. It was decided, after a heated discussion, that applications for the post for a period of three years should be invited from all over India by advertisements. Mr. Yusuf J. Meherally, the Mayor, was in the chair.

Dr. Rajadhyaksha moved the resolutions on behalf of the Medical Relief and Public Health Department.

The first resolution, in effect, stated that the consideration of the proposal to split up the post of the Dean of the K. E. M. Hospital and the Seth G. S. M. College into separate posts for each of the two institutions be deferred during the continuance of the war in the interest of the administration of the two institutions and that the post be continued for at least three years from the date of the retirement of the present incumbent from the Municipal Service from the 29th August, 1942, due to superannuation and that the papers be recorded.

COMMISSIONER'S LETTER

The Municipal Commissioner, in this connection, in a letter dated May 18, 1942 to the Committee had stated that he was aware that the question was a controversial one and that there was a body of opinion which felt strongly that the splitting up of the post was not in the interests of the institution concerned. He added, "The present time is, however, clearly not suitable for trying a new experiment. It is very essential that during the continuance of the war, the administration of the college and the hospital should not be handicapped by a new orientation of policy. I, therefore, recommend that the post of the Dean of the K. E. M. Hospital and Seth G. S. M. College should be continued for at least three years after it is vacated by Dr. Mehta. I have suggested three years as I hope that before the end of this period normal conditions will be restored and the Corporation will then be in a better position to decide whether the post should be split up into two posts or made permanent."

Dr. Cursetji said that he was responsible for the suggestion of splitting up the present post into two. He had spent much time over the resolution because it was an important matter. But there seemed to be some hurry and they were being hustled into passing this resolution. There were still two months for the present incumbent to retire and there had been no time for them left to discuss the matter thoroughly. He, therefore, moved an amendment to refer the matter back to the Medical Relief and Public Health Committee.

Dr. G. R. A. Shaik seconded the amendment.

"ADVERTISE POST"

Mr. S. K. Patil, opposing the amendment, said that there were two aspects to the question. The first was whether the post should be split up into two or not and the second how to fill up the post. As far as the first aspect was concerned, the Committee had done the thing justly and fairly and as far as the second was concerned, there was the process of advertisement so that people from all over India might apply.

Mr. D. V. Pradhan could not say whether the Medical Relief and Public Health Committee had made up its mind on the question or not.

Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta felt that the Commissioner's suggestions should be supported. The splitting up process would lead to inefficiency, waste of money, confusion and endless trouble.

Dr. Rajadhyaksha explained that there was no disagreement at all in the Committee as far as the principle of splitting up of the post was concerned.

The amendment, when put to vote, was lost; and the original resolution was adopted.

DR. KOPPIKAR'S CLAIM

Dr. Rajadhyaksha, then, moved the other resolution stating in effect that the letter from the Commissioner submitting a proposal for filling up the post be forwarded to the Corporation with the recommendation of the Medical Relief and Public Health Committee that in the circumstances stated in the letter and subject to the acceptance by the Corporation of the recommendation made by the Committee in a resolution, invitation of applications by public advertisement for the post falling vacant from 29th August, 1942, be dispensed with, and that as recommended, by the Commissioner, Dr. R. P. Koppikar be appointed, on a salary of Rs. 1,750 per month, for a period of three years.

Mr. S. K. Patil moved an amendment, in effect stating that the Commissioner be requested to invite applications for the post by public advertisement and relax a relevant rule of the Municipal Act, so that persons from all over India might apply.

Mr. Patil said that he had nothing personal against Dr. Koppikar. He only wanted that the Corporation should be able to get the services of the best medical man available in India. If in the final selection, Dr. Koppikar came out successful, he would be very happy.

Mr. M. N. Talpade supported the resolution, while Mr. K. F. Nariman supported the amendment. Dr. S. P. Mehta supported the resolution.

When Mr. Devji Ratansi, Chairman of the Medical Relief and Public Health Committee, who had just entered the Hall, rose up to speak, there was a point of order. The Mayor ruled that the propriety, backed up by previous convention, was that the Chairman of the Committee should not speak or comment upon the resolution, but he had the right to speak, if he so wished.

Mr. Devji Ratansi said that he wanted to explain his position. He did not agree with the resolution passed by the Committee.

Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta doubted whether in these days of war when efficient medical men were absorbed by the military, advertisements for such a temporary post could do any benefit.

Mr. A. P. Sabavala, though convinced that they were all agreed on the question of efficiency, felt that there was a mental reservation on the part of the Congress Party. Voices from the Congress Party: No, no.)

Mr. Sabavala was glad to hear the denial, but still he felt that the attitude taken up by the Congress Party would give the impression that they were suffering from an inferiority complex which prevented them in believing in the efficiency of those who were already in Municipal Service, doing good and efficient work. There was also another consideration and that was that Dr. Koppikar might feel slighted by the resolution.

Mr. Patil, rising to dispel the doubts which arose from the discussions, said that the Congress Party had no particular candidate in view for the job and that they did not seek to underrate the efficiency of Dr. Koppikar or to slight him.

Mrs. Lilavati Munshi, Dr. T. R. Naravane and Mr. M. O. E. Patel supported the amendment which was passed as a substantive proposition.

'Treason' Trials In Germany

MOSCOW, May 25.

Eight Germans have been shot in Berlin for "treason to the Fuehrer and the Reich" the Moscow radio stated this morning.

Three German workers were sentenced to death, at Hamburg for sabotage and agitation against the war, it is added.

REMOVAL OF MINISTER

Some of the facts behind the removal "for health reasons" of the Nazi Minister for Agriculture and Supply were today revealed by Swedish correspondents in Berlin.

The Swedish paper "Svenska Dagneladet" quotes prominently from the "German National Socialistische Land Post" an agricultural paper, on the failure of the land policy which it states, "No minister of agriculture of any regime could endure without losing his job."

German peasants, it is revealed, have been obliged to give up a large quantity of potatoes meant for food to sow next year's crop

Other German papers such as the "Deutsche Allgemaine Zeitung" are quoted as giving details of the terrible losses of German agriculture during the winter.

Severe cold destroyed a large quantity of crops especially barley. Frost in March and April destroyed much of the wheat in Central Germany.—Reuter.

TURKISH SHIP SUNK IN BLACK SEA

ISTANBUL, May 25.

The Turkish steamer 'Chefak' of 550-tons has been torpedoed and sunk by an unidentified submarine near Cape Vassilicos in Bulgarian waters in the Black Sea.

The Captain and crew of nine escaped. The 'Chefak' was returning from the Bulgarian port of Burgas to Istanbul.

This is the second case of torpedoing of a Turkish ship in five days.—Reuter.

ENEMY RAID OVER BRITAIN

LONDON, May 23.

An Air Ministry communique issued on Monday says: Last night there was some enemy activity over coastal districts in southern England.

Bombs were dropped at several places. Some damage was done and a small number of casualties have been reported. One enemy aircraft was destroyed."—Reuter.

IMPORTANCE OF MOTOR TRANSPORT

MOTOR UNION CONGRESS APPEALS FOR AMENDMENT IN PETROL RATIONING

POONA, May 25.

The two-day session of the All-India Motor Union Congress which commenced here on May 23 concluded its session last evening after passing a number of resolutions, one of which appreciated the underlying spirit of the scheme in hiring vehicles for civil construction works by the Government of India from the motor owners direct.

This resolution points out, however, that certain clauses of the proposed agreement are contrary to the assurances given by the authorities and, therefore, suggested certain alterations and authorised the executive body of the Congress to negotiate and settle final terms.

Other resolutions suggesting amendments to the Motor Vehicles Act, urging Government to encourage alternative fuels and to take steps to further control private consumption of petrol and to check profiteering by dealers in motor accessories and spare parts and gas producer plants, requesting Government to suspend the operation of rules relating to seating capacity of taxicabs and to permit drivers and owners to take one excess passenger just as in the case of stage carriages for the duration of war were also passed.

By yet another resolution the Congress suggested that the Central Government should amend the motor spirit rationing order so as to allow an aggrieved person to approach the central authorities to obtain relief.

The Congress viewed with great concern the continued deadlock in the motor business in Madras owing to conflict between bus owners and drivers since July last and requested its president to mediate and bring about an amicable settlement.

At the conclusion of the Conference the constitution of the All-India Motor Union Congress was adopted and the President announced the names of members of the Executive Committee and office-bearers for the next year.

The first meeting of the Executive Committee will be held today at the office of the Reception Committee of the Conference when besides considering the programme for the next year the Committee is expected to nominate some of its members to meet officials of the Communication Department, Government of India at Delhi to discuss the scheme regarding direct hiring of vehicles.—A. P.

CALL FOR UNITED STAND

POONA, May 24.

"In politics there might be 'Pakistan', 'Akhand Hindusthan', 'Dravidisthan' and such other still to be created 'Sthans', but for you there is only one 'stand' and that in the 'motor-stand', and hence there should be one united 'stand'," said Mr. K. F. Nariman, M.L.A., inaugurating the fourth session of the All-India Motor Union Congress last evening at the Gokhale Hall, Poona.

Mr. Nariman said even in the normal times motor transport was an important means of communication, but in times of war its value and need had enormously increased. Without efficient and quick motor transport, almost all war activities should be paralysed, and in emergency and civil defence measures, motor transport played a vital role.

"It is gratifying to note," he said, "that the motorists have bravely responded to the call and particularly have come forward to defend their hearths and homes and country in time of emergency."

Referring to motor transport legislation Mr. Nariman said that the Government should not take any steps to introduce any legislation, emergency or ordinary, affecting the transport, without first consulting and obtaining considered opinion of either the Provincial or All-India Motor Transport Congress. For the present, he said, all other interests were consulted, but the one which was most directly affected was ignored.

"The more immediate problems," the speaker continued, "are the petrol rationing, the commandeering of cars and requisitioning of drivers and numerous other wartime restrictions. It is as much in the interests of the public as of Government that in these days of emergency this public utility service should be kept up and maintained at a high standard of efficiency and hence all facilities and encouragement should be given for its growth. Closely connected with it is the question of road construction and development," he concluded.

After Mr. Nariman had finished his speech, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, President of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee, welcomed the delegates to the Congress whereafter Sheikh Husamuddin delivered his Presidential address.

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